

REMARKS

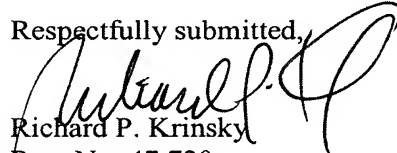
As stated in the Office Action, Claims 1-13 and 21 are allowed.

Claims 14-20 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

In view of the above, Claims 1-13 and 21 and the application are considered to be in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg LLP, Deposit Account No. 02-1010 (677/44950).

Respectfully submitted,



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Enclosure(s): Amendments to and Listing of the Claims
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